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	SUBJECT:	Evaluation of Photochemical Solutions Laboratory
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Enclosed are copies of the instruction letters, the general requirements, and the two proposals. These will be mailed exactly as stated with your approval. If you have any changes, please let us know as soon as you can since these people will still be restricted to the 4 September date. We have allowed enough time for their complete evaluation as well as the time for your suggestions or approval. We would like to mail these out to the people by 21 August 1961.

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Apped For Release 2005/06/06: CIA-RESSB04770A002500070022-5 <u>EVALUATION OF</u> PHOTOCHEMICAL SOLUTIONS LABORATORY 11 August 1961

Introduction

The Photochemical Solutions (chemical mix) Laboratory is a functional supporting unit without any productional aspects. It has the sole purpose of supplying, as compared to replenishing, the processing areas of the photographic laboratory with solutions capable of giving results compatible with the standards of the photographic system. The design of the solutions lab is entirely dependent upon these standards as well as the particular demands of the processing areas. Immediate and variable supply demand, high quality control, and cleanliness are very important considerations involved here.

Statement of the Problem

There are many ways to mix photographic chemicals into working solutions, many ways to transport these solutions to the processing areas, and as many more ways to maintain a constant, consistent, and precise quality control of the solutions. It is the purpose of this evaluation to look at two proposed systems for accomplishing the stated tasks. It should be of little consequence whether one proposal pitted against the other would result in a recommendation or decision, but the user is the one who must face the end result and will either enjoy or resist the system. Therefore, the resulting comparison of the two proposed systems shall be made entirely from the user's viewpoint. The "user", as implied here, refers to all persons physically engaged in

Laboratory. This may include the photo lab supervisor, processing personnel, chemical mix personnel, maintenance, administration, and all persons engaged in making or using high quality photographic materials.

This Photochemical Solutions Laboratory has requirements to which any proposal must meet, and are entirely regulated by the demands of the photo processing stations. These demands are: exact quality control through the end use of all solutions; immediate and infinitely variable supply demand; elimination of any and all possible contamination areas; versatility in preparing, storing, and supplying many forms of photographic solutions in continuous or intermittent demands; reliability of all functional components; economy of operation; and ease of operation. Each of these items can be expanded considerably and are meant to be all inclusive.

The various solutions must serve approximately 17 different and isolated processing stations with five to seven (5) to (7) developers, one (1) short stop, and two (2) fixers. Since there are few temperature controlled machines or sinks, it is advisable to maintain a close temperature control on incoming solutions. Sinks and tanks are hand operated, generally processing sheet film or paper, with some short rolls. The machines are of varied type and are almost all semi-automatic. The processing will include almost all types of black and white film and paper products, with no color processing.

PROPOSAL NUMBER ONE

Chemical Storage System

"There are five basic ingredients to all photographic developers: (1) a reducing agent; (2) an accelerator; (3) a restrainer; (4) a preservative; and (5) an alkali. The amounts and balances of these basic ingredients are varied to suit a specific requirement based on a photographic emulsion. All of these basic ingredients are readily soluble to a 50 percent state of saturation. These ingredients, when stored separately, have excellent keeping qualities and a low rate of oxidation. These ingredients, when purchased as bulk chemicals, cost but a fraction of the price of compounded developer solutions. Since the bulk ingredient of all of these formulae is water, a 50 gallon batch of 50 percent saturated Metol will make more than 77,000 gallons of a developer solution. From this fact it is almost needless to point out that the frequency of mixing these basic ingredients would be extremely low. Photographic paper and film require different fixing agents and, therefore, it is proposed that two types of fixing baths be stored in 300 gallon containers. It is also proposed that 50 gallon batches of the five basic ingredients be stored in a 50 percent saturated solution. These five basic ingredients would be piped to a central 100 gallon mixing vat and, since the chemicals are in solution, the compounding of a developer formula would be extremely rapid and effortless. The task would be reduced to consulting

Appreced For Release 2005/06/06 : CIA-RD 8804770A002500070022-5 a card file for the proper number of ounces of each saturated solution to be combined with the necessary number of gallons of water to make the required number of gallons of developer solutions. It is unnecessary to point out that these chemicals would all be at working temperatures and no delay would be encountered between mixing and using of these solutions. It is important to mention that a large variety of formulae could be supplied to the various processing stations with only a few moments delay. These solutions would be used during their normal life and discarded, with the possible exception of the fixing bath for film. This solution could be returned to a silver recovery and then put back into storage. Attached is a list of five well known developer formulae, using the aforementioned basic ingredients, and will serve to illustrate their universal application. Due to the rapid access of these developer formulae, only the required number of gallons of each solution would be prepared for distribution to the processing stations each day. Only a short notice of any program changes would be required to evacuate and refill any of the processing stations. Since all of these solutions would be compounded from known basic elements, there would be no variety in results, and an extremely high degree of quality control would be achieved."

PROPOSAL NUMBER TWO

Photochemical Solutions Laboratory

"The Photochemical Solutions Laboratory shall supply solutions of the highest quality to the photo processing areas. It shall have the versatility of combating any foreseen or unforeseen circumstance when the demand requires. In order to accomplish this result, the system shall employ sufficient supply tanks to meet the varied demand. There are presently being used; seven developers, one short stop, and two fixers, totaling ten solutions. To allow for changing and possibly new types of solutions, this should be expanded to twelve supply sources or tanks. The supply tanks shall be of such a size as to hold enough solution for a normal one week demand but shall be capable of handling solutions on a daily basis as well as for storage up to six months or more if necessary. The tanks will have capacities of 330 gallons for eight tanks and 100 gallons for the other four. These conditions just stated dictate a form of tank where all atmosphere is excluded, using an inert gas as nitrogen, to permit long term storage, and where a change of solution or new mix may be handled quite easily. This means that the actual mixing of the bulk chemicals must be done in another tank and the solution pumped into the supply tanks. Since contamination of any form cannot be tolerated, each supply tank will have its own individual mix tank. The solution shall be filtered before entering the supply tank. As the solution leaves the supply tank, it shall be filtered again to eliminate sediment, etc. Since quality control is of utmost importance, it is impossible to retain the quality if the piped solutions are delivered to a particular

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Also, this form lends itself ideally to processing stations where intermittent processing is done in trays, tanks, sinks, or automated machines. Each solution is at the processing personnels fingertips exactly as and when needed, with no delay, no mixing except dilution, or possible loss of quality of any form. All solutions would be carried in the "stock" solution form and would be diluted as desired at the processing stations. All used solutions would be dimped after use. The only deviation from this would possibly be with the processing machines. Since it is anticipated that the processing machines will be used more frequently in the future, there are also three replenisher tanks of 100 gallon capacity adjoined with three supply tanks and may be used as needed. The replenisher tanks may also be used as additional supply tanks if desired.

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Contract No.
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01/0/1812
8 June 1961

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Gentlemen:

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This Technical Directive constitutes authorization and direction for you to perform the services and furnish the supplies in the manner prescribed in the attached schedule of 2 pages, numbered and dated the same as this letter. The attached schedule is intended to be complete with respect to work description and technical instructions relative thereto, place and period of performance, completion date, f.o.b. delivery point, inspection requirements and any other directions reasonably necessary for your prompt performance of the work authorized.

Unless you indicate to the contrary within ten (10) days from receipt hereof, you will be considered as having agreed to the feasibility and completeness of this Technical Directive and to have in all respects accepted same for prompt performance.

It is specifically understood, however, that this letter shall not make any increases(s) in either the scope of work or amount of funds obligated or otherwise to modify the terms and conditions of the above contract or task order, any such modifications being expressly reserved for bilaterally executed contractual amendments.

All correspondence relative to this Technical Directive shall be forwarded to the Contracting Officer at the address below, inner envelope being marked to the attention of the undersigned individual.

Very truly yours,

Contracting Officer Address:

Acknowledged and Accepted

2430 E Street, N.W. Washington 25, D. C.

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Return the original and two signed copies to the Contracting Officer

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V. Cleanliness, contamination isolation, controlled access of personnel, materials, solutions and interrelated control in the entire Photo lab are to be considered and planned for. Wherever possible, sutematic controls shall be applied to the Photo-chemical Facility.

VI. When this Assignment is fully accomplished portions of the data, materials, diagrams and drawings developed may be determined to be appropriate for inclusion in the work of the A/E Contract.

VII. At this time, the Contractor is not authorized to produce equipment, specialized items or materials for a Photo-chemical Pacility but is encouraged to obtain proposals for same if needed. After a determination of the requirements for such a facility & material is made, the Contractor may be further directed by a separate technical directive to produce any long-lead time items by means of the Contractor's own market search and purchasing capability.